

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 23, 2003

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Fire Prevention Code Supplement
Schedule of Fees Rulemaking Approval Resolution of 2003"

REFERENCE: Draft Rulemaking – Number Not Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2004 through FY 2007 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed rulemaking because no additional resources will be required. The proposed rulemaking would generate an estimated \$1.1 million in additional revenue in FY 2004 and an estimated \$4.3 million for the FY 2004 through FY 2007 period by increasing fees for services performed under the Fire Prevention Code.

Background

The proposed rulemaking would increase several current Fire Prevention Code fees, including propane permits, fireworks displays, and fire inspector overtime and establish several new fees including reinspection, fire safety inspections based on building size, and use of fire trucks.

Financial Plan Impact

The proposed rulemaking would increase or establish fees for services performed under the Fire Prevention Code. These fees are deposited into the General Fund and are expected to generate an estimated \$1.1 million in additional revenue per year from FY 2004 to FY 2007 for an aggregate of \$4.3 million. In FY 2002, the current fees generated \$94,819. The table below illustrates the proposed fee increases.

Fee Schedule		
	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Reinspection (1&2 family dwelling)	\$0	\$50
Reinspection (commercial)	\$0	\$100
Propane (per 200 lbs)(special event)	\$25	\$50
Propane (per 200 lbs)(annual)	\$25	\$100
Bonfires	\$25	\$150
Explosives	\$100	\$500
Fireworks Displays	\$50	\$250
Fireworks Stand Permit	\$50	\$150
Special Effect/Pyrotechnic Displays	\$50	\$250
Miscellaneous	\$25	\$100
Fuel Storage Tank Review	\$0-\$100	\$150
Fire Safety Inspections		
Building 1 - 3,000 square feet	\$0	\$50
Building 3,001 – 6,000 square feet	\$0	\$100
Building 6,001 – 10,000 square feet	\$0	\$150
Building 10,001 – 50,000 square feet	\$0	\$200
Building 50,001 – 100,000 square feet	\$0	\$250
Building 1 - 3,000 square feet	\$0	\$300
Fire Inspector Overtime	\$50 per hour	\$60 per hour
Use of Fire Truck (per hour)(special events)	\$0	\$400

These fees are expected to generate an estimated \$1.1 million in additional revenue in each of FY 2004 through FY 2007 for an aggregate of \$4.3 million in additional revenue over that period as illustrated in the table below.

Revenue Impact to the Financial Plan					
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	4-Year Total
Reinspection (1&2 family dwelling)	\$112,500	\$112,500	\$112,500	\$112,500	\$450,000
Reinspection (commercial)	\$525,000	\$525,000	\$525,000	\$525,000	\$2,100,000
Propane (per 200 lbs)(special event)	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$14,000	\$56,000
Propane (per 200 lbs)(annual)	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$72,000
Bonfires	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$4,000
Explosives	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$200,000
Fireworks Displays	\$675	\$675	\$675	\$675	\$2,700
Fireworks Stand Permit	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$100,000
Special Effect/Pyrotechnic Displays	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$9,600
Miscellaneous	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$12,000
Fuel Storage Tank Review	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$240,000
Fire Safety Inspections	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$400,000
Fire Inspector Overtime	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$7,000	\$28,000
Use of Fire Truck (special events)	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$160,000	\$640,000
TOTAL	\$1,078,575	\$1,078,575	\$1,078,575	\$1,078,575	\$4,314,300